

WORST COAL SHORTAGE IN YEARS THREATENS

National Coal Association Gives Warning of Impending Troubles in Sight.

FOREIGN WORKERS LEAVING

General Movement for Early Purchases of Coal Can Head Off Trouble.

May 31.—A warning of the worst coal shortage in years is being issued today by the National Coal Association. The association's report states that the coal supply is being depleted at a rapid rate, and that the situation is becoming increasingly serious. It is estimated that the coal supply will be exhausted in approximately 25 days if the present rate of consumption continues. The association is urging the public to make early purchases of coal to avoid any possibility of a shortage.

TRIED TO BURN OUT THE SALVATION ARMY

Makes Public Relation of German Spy Attempt to Destroy College and Commander.

A testimony to the value of Salvation Army service in France to the allied armies is revealed in a report that made public the activities of German spies in this country against the Salvation Army. At the time, the fact that the burning of the Salvation Army training college for officers in New York city was the work of German agents has just been announced.

It was in February of 1918 when the Salvation Army women in France were doing such splendid work among the American soldiers in the shell-hole areas back of the trenches, that this building was burned to death. The significant building had been armed with acid and within a few seconds every corner was blazing.

Because of their efficiency in fire drill, all the students sleeping in the building escaped with the exception of two young men who were burned to death. The significant fact in the affair was that there had been sleeping in this building directly over the place where the first blaze started several of the houses who were to sail for France in a day or two with the largest party of war workers that had yet been sent out. Their trunks were packed and they were ready to go.

Proof was also obtained that the intention had been to destroy as well the great fireproof Salvation Army national headquarters building adjoining the training college. A few days later a detective taking lunch in a small German restaurant on a side street overheard this conversation. "Well, if we can't burn them out, we'll blow up the building and get that damned commander, anyhow."

When this plot was revealed to the civilian authorities they offered Commander Evangeline Booth, head of the Salvation Army in the United States, a body guard to go with her even to her country house, to protect her while the war lasted. She refused at first until two attempts were made on her life. Then she accepted the body guard which was successful in protecting from German agents in two big cities of the country when she was traveling on war work.

Keppel Assumes Duty July 1. WASHINGTON, May 31.—Dr. Frederick J. Keppel, third assistant secretary of war and former dean of Columbia University, will become director of foreign operations of the American Red Cross on July 1. He has been acting in that capacity since April 1, 1918, and for more than a year he has been in charge of all matters dealing with the social and physical well being of the soldiers.

THE AMERICAN SOLDIER

Hail! Noble soldier! Warrior brave. Who, on battle-scarred fields of France, Hurl back the murderous Hun! You gave To dying liberty still another chance.

Out where the crimson tide flowed fast; Over shell holes, buckled sharp or scented glen, Always the first to charge, always the last To leave when the shades of night descend.

You've heard the whistle of a million balls.— Seen arms torn off by shattering shells, You've seen many a mighty, homelike, red In the Argentine's bright, red running hell!

Here a comrade laughed, another said "good-bye!" There a soldier struck for God and liberty! Out yonder seeking hosts that fight and die That all the world may again be free!

You've seen Rhineland cranked and crumbled walls, Her towering steeples humbled to the dust, You've wandered through her silent halls, Grim reappings of a foeman's hate and lust.

Always the way was hard, we know— Death follows fast each foot they yield; Still you gave them blow for blow, "Till victory crowned each bloody field.

And now, returning, conquering here, come! Deep in our hearts thou art enshrined, With thy self-given world work done, Receive our homage—sway of thank and kind!

—Allan Trevelyan, Tulsa, Okla.

Broken Arrow High School Uses Haskell College Tract

It's an ill wind that blows nobody good. When the state of Oklahoma failed to make an appropriation to support the Haskell A. and M. college at Broken Arrow the high school of that town fell heir to the buildings and 80 acres of rich land surrounding them.

The approach to the school is through a long drive lined with cedars and elms, with a cement walk edged on each side with well kept beds of pasteurized and fresh. The circular drive about the main building is shaded by locust trees and beds of budding flowers are here and there over the carefully mowed lawn. The atmosphere is one of the old-fashioned college set off from the town and is in fact, a very much in advance of their years.

The high school at Broken Arrow is accredited and graduates may enter the state university without an examination. There were 115 students enrolled the year that has just closed and it is said that because of the normal training that may be obtained here many of the students become teachers and are now scattered over the state teaching the young idea to school.

A sorghum mill is on the place, and a "home" and garden are used by the young horticulturists. Oak fields lie between school and town.

MISSIONARY PROSECUTED FOR AUTOMOBILE DEATHS

SEATTLE, Korea, May 31.—The court prosecution of the Rev. Eugene Hall, a Presbyterian missionary at Seoul, Korea, on a charge of criminal carelessness in accidentally causing the death of his wife and another missionary in an automobile accident last March 25 has aroused much interest in the foreign community here. The other missionary who was killed was the Rev. Paul S. Crane of Yonpo City, Miss.

The Rev. Mr. Hall was driving the automobile when an express train crashed into it on a grade crossing near Seoul. At the hearing yesterday he contended that he was a careful driver and that he failed to hear the whistle of the train. The prosecutor maintained that the missionary was criminally negligent in not hearing the whistle and requested that a fine of 250 yen be imposed.

Aviators Return

NEW YORK, May 31.—The famous 11th pursuit squadron, formerly commanded by Eddie Rickenbacker, American "ace of aces," some of whose members flew with the Lafayette squadron before the war, returned today on the transport Louisiana. The squadron has been of great credit with its display in enemy planes and unofficially with 42 others.

BOLSHEVIKI HAUNTING KANSAS WHEAT FIELDS

Dragnet Will Be Thrown Out to Apprehend Army of Agitators and Break Up Program.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 31.—Apprehension of possible activities of agitators in Kansas during the coming harvest season has alerted warnings from many sources. Reports of men already working in the centralized western Kansas towns who claim to be "waiting for the harvest" but who refused to accept jobs offered them have reached state and federal offices.

The district attorney Frank H. Johnson has sounded a general warning against permitting men suspected of being the advance guard of an army of agitators which he claimed has planned an invasion of Kansas this year from remaining so large anywhere in the state.

Communication with the district attorney's office by numerous officials of state and federal departments throughout the central and western counties have referred to the appearance of agitators in their midst and the guards have been advised to maintain their organizations with a view to handling any situations which may arise as they did a year ago.

Civil authorities also have taken up the problem. A meeting of mayors and chiefs of police of Kansas cities and towns has been called for Topeka next Monday (June 3) to discuss means of maintaining order in their various communities. Persons gaining knowledge of the presence of the "hunts of the wooden shoe" in any community are requested to report such knowledge at once to local officers.

Stecher Boats Out

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 31.—Joe Stecher, Nebraska wrestler, defeated Charles Cutler of Chicago in a two best out of three bouts here last night. Stecher gained the first fall in 29 minutes, and the second one in six minutes, using a scissor hold in both falls.

16 Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses were issued to the following Saturday by the clerk of the district court: H. H. Soland, 41, and Alta Garrison, 24, Tulsa; Nell Jones, 26, and Nellie M. Laramie, 26, Tulsa; Charles F. Thompson, 19, and Edna Early, 17, Tulsa; Robert L. Owens, 36, and Nellie Fletcher, 34, Tulsa; William M. Neale, 25, and Anna B. Sanderson, 18, Tulsa; Doyle Hollingsworth, 22, and Dorris A. Austin, 22, Tulsa; Wayne Cook, 30, and Tina L. Cloud, 16, Tulsa; S. L. Lindsey, 30, and Sylvia E. Gulp, 22, Tulsa; A. Cooper, 44, and Cecile Carol, 27, Tulsa.



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